



# June 2009

## St Andrew's Uniting Church

A congregation of the Uniting Church in Australia  
25 West Market Street, Richmond, NSW

St Andrew's has something for everyone of all ages, as we follow our mission to Seniors, Young Families and Young Adults in our community. Please contact a member of the Ministry Team or an Elder for any needs or support. Our Elders' names and phone numbers are listed in the Foyer (near the clock).

### MINISTRY TEAM

Rev Je-Kon Oh 4578 3820 (BH)  
Minister of the Word 4578 3421 (AH)

Email (Ministries): [minister@richmonduniting.org.au](mailto:minister@richmonduniting.org.au)

### Pastoral Care:

Margaret Bailey (Seniors) 4776 1487  
Dulcie Butler (Young Families/Young Adults) 4571 2246

### 2008-9 Annual Report

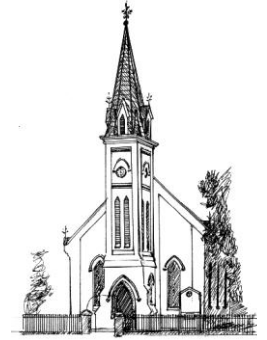
At the end of June we produce our Annual Report to record what we have done and achieved for the year past, and to share the contents with all members of our church. That time is nigh!

If you are a leader of some church group or activity, I would appreciate your report as soon as possible after the end of June, but certainly before Sunday 19 July. Please tell us what your group/activity has done, whether you reported last year or not.

If you are a Treasurer, you need to balance your books as at 30 June, prepare a profit and loss statement, bundle all documentation and take it to Bert Wheeler for auditing as soon as possible in early July. His phone number is 4578 2882 so you can coordinate your hand over. We need your financial report to include in our Annual Report, so don't leave the audit too late. Please.

If you have any photos of church activities, please email me a SMALL version of the digital file, so we can reproduce a selection in colour on the back cover of the Report, as we did last year. Just ask me if you aren't sure about how small it needs to be.

*Bruce Fairhall*  
Church Administrator



### SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

**8.30 am  
Church**

Traditional worship followed by morning tea and fellowship

**9.45 am  
Church**

In conjunction with our Kids' Sunday program.

A family celebration, including programs for children from 3 years of age up to Secondary Year 9. Morning tea and fellowship follows.

**6.00 pm**  
*Sundays@6.00*  
**Auditorium**

Modern worship with singers, drama and band, plus supper to follow.

*St Andrews is a member  
of the Assembly of  
Confessing  
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### Church Office

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Hours: 10.00am – 2pm most days

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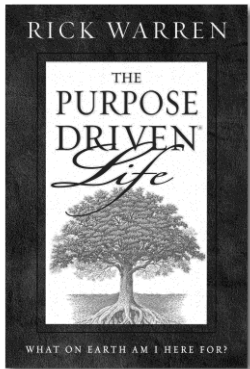
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# 40 DAYS OF PURPOSE

A PURPOSE-DRIVEN LIFE CAMPAIGN



St Andrew's Church has embarked on the *40 Days of Purpose Campaign*. If you have fallen behind in your daily readings, don't fret! Just pick up using the Reading Calendar, provided with each book and get back in step! During this time, we focus on the purpose of Ministry; for many people this will mark their high point in the Campaign. It is so exciting to discover the special way God shaped you for serving Him, and in next week's Ministry Sunday you'll get to explore that shape and find ways to put it to good use right here at St Andrew's Church!

The **14<sup>th</sup> June** will be **Ministry Sunday** highlighting our Ministry at St Andrew's; Sandi Herbert is organizing this event. She is seeking volunteers, if you are interested you can contact her on 4573 1517.

Greg Inskip is coordinating our **Celebration Sunday** on **28th June** & he is seeking volunteers. If you are interested in helping, with the Celebration of what we have learnt during the 40 Days of Purpose, Greg Inskip can be contacted on 4573 1002.

### The MINISTRY SERMONS for June will be

7 June Week 4: Discipleship-You Were Created to Become Like Christ

14 June Week 5: Ministry-You Were Shaped for Serving God

21 June Week 6: Evangelism-You Were Made for a Mission

28 June Week 7: **CELEBRATION SUNDAY**: We will rejoice in together in all God has done in our midst during the Campaign.

### Lessons Life Taught Me

Regina Brett, 90 years old, of The Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio, USA said "To celebrate growing older, I once wrote the 45 lessons life taught me. It is the most-requested column I've ever written". Here is a selection;

1. Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
2. Pay off your credit cards every month.
3. It's OK to get angry with God. He can take it.
4. Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.
5. Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
6. If a relationship has to be a secret, you shouldn't be in it.
7. No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
8. Forgive everyone everything.
9. Time heals almost everything. Give time time.
10. However good or bad a situation is, it will change.
11. Believe in miracles.
12. God loves you because of who God is, not because of anything you did or didn't do.
13. Envy is a waste of time. You already have all you need.
14. No matter how you feel, get up, dress up and show up.
15. Life isn't tied with a bow, but it's still a gift.



## Points for Prayer, May 2009

*God's Word*

Colossians 2:7 Plant your roots in Christ and let him be the foundation for your life. Be strong in your faith, just as you were taught. And be grateful.

*Lord Jesus, please help us to become like You. Help us to admit all the places where we need Your healing touch. Show us how to become true disciples.*

- Thank God for the 40 Days of Purpose program. Pray that we will all benefit from this teaching. Pray for openness to the Holy Spirit's presence as we continue to ponder where we are as individuals, and as a community of faith. Pray that this church becomes a lighthouse in our community for Jesus' sake.
- Thank God for the rain which has flushed out rivers and brought the desert back to life and provided seldom seen breeding grounds for water birds at Lake Eyre.
- Pray for people badly affected by the floods on the Northern Rivers, and the wild weather in S.E. Qld. Pray for Government aid to reach the needy in good time.
- Pray for Government and private health agencies as they handle the outbreak of Swine Flu.
- Thank God for Rev. Je-Kon Oh. Pray blessings and good health for Je-Kon, Sung Hee, Echo and Isaac.
- Kid's Sunday program. Pray for children to attend regularly.
- Pray for teenagers attending our church, that their faith in Jesus will grow. Pray for Glenda Christie as she leads Yr 12 girls, and Greg Inskip as he leads the GWU's.
- Pray for Alan Cox, Win King, Keith Bailey, Jane Ervine, Gwen Barclay.
- Pray for better outcomes for people displaced by war: over 2 million in Pakistan; 250,000 Tamils in Sri Lanka. Pray for these governments to do what is right for these people. Pray for UN and Aid agencies to do everything possible to ease suffering. Pray for better outcomes for the people of Zimbabwe



### Purposeful Parenting

MOPS have a guest speaker, Lyn Roberts, from Purposeful Parenting coming to St. Andrew's on Wednesday 29th of July starting at 0945am to 1145am. She will be talking about "Boundaries" with kids. There is no child minding available. Gold coin donation for those who are not MOPS mums.

*Michelle Dacey*

## Worship Planner for June 2009

Date	8:30am	9:45am	6pm	Remarks
<b>7 June</b> 40 Days Purpose Wk4	Je-Kon Oh (HC)	Je-Kon Oh	Je-Kon Oh	You were created to become like Christ.
<b>14 June</b> 40 Days Purpose Wk5	Geoff Brown	Geoff Brown	Geoff Brown	You were shaped for serving God.
<b>21 June</b> 40 Days Purpose Wk6	Je-Kon Oh	Je-Kon Oh (HC)	Je-Kon Oh	You were made for a mission.
<b>28 June</b> 40 Days Purpose Wk7	Je-Kon Oh	Je-Kon Oh	Je-Kon Oh	<b>CELEBRATION!!!</b>

*\* Note: This plan can be changed at any time.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 9.30 Playtime	<b>2</b>  7.30 Elders	<b>3</b> 9.30 Fellowship 9.45 M.O.P.S.	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 7.30 Blokes 'N Sheds
<b>7</b> 8.30/9.45 Worship  <i>Sundays@6.00</i>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 10.00 Coffee 'n Chat	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 8.30/9.45 Worship  <i>Sundays@6.00</i>	<b>15</b> 9.30 Playtime	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 9.45 M.O.P.S.  7.00 Presbytery	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Ebenezer U. C. Celebrations
<b>21</b> 8.30/9.45 Worship  Ebenezer U. C. Celebrations  <i>Sundays@6.00</i>	<b>22</b> 9.30 StA Singers 9.30 Playtime  <b>UCA Birthday</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>   12 Seniors' Lunch	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 8.30/9.45 Worship - FINISH - 40 DAYS OF PURPOSE <i>Sundays@6.00</i>	<b>29</b> 9.30 Playtime	<b>30</b>				



## WHAT'S ON DURING THE WEEK

### SUNDAYS

**Paddlers** – Age 3 to Kinder: 9.45-11.00am (Heather Fairhall 4571 1019)  
**Kids Sunday** – Years 1-5: 9.45-11.00am (Robyn Duignan 4572 7517)  
**GWU** – Junior High Youth Years 7-9: 9.45-11.00am (Greg Inskip 4573 1002)

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### MONDAYS

**Playtime** – 9.30am-11.30am – Parents and preschoolers (Michelle Dacey 4574 1312)  
**Andy's Hands-on-Help** – 9.00am to 1.00pm – Maintenance and Fellowship  
(Bob Thuaux 4578 2309)

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### TUESDAYS

**eMT Youth** – 3.15pm-4.15pm (During school term time) (Glenda Christie 02 9913 8626)  
**Church Council** – 7.30pm – Quarterly Meetings (Greg Inskip 4573 1002)  
**Elders** – 7.30pm – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month (Sandi Herbert 4573 1517)

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### WEDNESDAYS

**MOPS** – 9.45-11.45am Fortnightly in school terms for Mums and preschoolers  
(Michelle Dacey 4574 1312)  
**Adult Fellowship** – 10am – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays – Friends, food, fun (Irene Milne 4578 1482)

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### THURSDAYS

**Coffee 'n Chat** – 10am (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month: Crafts and fun)  
**All Together** – 10am - 12noon. Other weeks – Get fit exercise  
(for info on Thursday seniors' activities contact Sandi Herbert 4573 1517)  
**Senior's Bible Study** – 12 noon-1.30pm Bible Study (except 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday)  
(Sandi Herbert 4573 1517)  
**Seniors' Luncheon** – 12noon - 1.45pm (4<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month)

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### FRIDAYS

**Op Shop** – 9.00am – 12.00 – clothes and wares (Carmel Hagedoorn Phone 4567 7448)  
**Open Church Prayer** – 9.30am - 10.30am and more (Margaret and Keith Bailey 4776 1487)

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### SATURDAYS

**Blokes 'N Sheds** – 7.30am Breakfast for blokes – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays each month  
(Keith Bailey 4776 1487)

*SMALL/HOME GROUPS are a valuable and integral part of St Andrew's ministry.*

*We encourage all members to join a group. For further information please speak*

*to our Minister Rev. Je-Kon Oh - phone 4578 3421 (Home)*